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The following warships were observed in the naval harbor  
of ODESSA (46°29'N/30°44'E):

1. One destroyer \* which was stationed in the naval harbor from  
the Fall of 1947 to the Spring of 1949.
  - a. This destroyer was 260 to 300 feet long, had a straight  
stem, high forecastle with one gun, small bridge, vertical masts,  
three vertical funnels, the central one being the biggest, between  
the central and aft funnel remarkably high compact superstruc-  
tures with searchlights; on the quarter-deck two single guns  
one behind the other.
2. Two submarines \*\*, length above water about 40 feet, low deck  
superstructure, conning tower about 3.3 feet wide, about 5 feet  
high, no armament visible, net saw at the bow. Soviet sailors  
said that the complement of such a boat is about seven persons.
3. Six to eight minor war vessels were permanently stationed in  
the naval harbor. These vessels resembled the German mine  
sweepers.
4. On the outer roads of ODESSA, about a mile from the coast,  
observed the following units, which were moored there most of  
the time:
  - a. Destroyers : Two considerably inclined funnels, AA gun  
position and rear mast close to second funnel, low forecastle  
with two twin-guns in shields, high bridge with high foremast,  
low after section with four guns in superimposed twin mounting.  
The destroyers were painted gray.

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